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TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN PRIORITY

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EYES ONLY FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ATHERTON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, IR

SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF USDEFREP - IRAN

REF: TEHRAN 12411

1. LARRY EAGLEBURGER PASSED REFTEL TO ME BEFORE DEPARTING  
FOR THE HOLIDAYS AND WANTS YOU TO KNOW HE WILL DIG INTO  
THIS QUESTION UPON HIS RETURN.

2. MEANWHILE, I WANT YOU TO HAVE FOLLOWING BACKGROUND.  
WHEN MCAULIFFE CALLED ME CONCERNING EXTENSION OF DEFREP  
POSITION, THERE APPEARED TO BE CONSIDERABLE LOGIC IN HIS  
POSITION. WE HAD IN MIND FACT THAT ARRIVAL OF NEW AMBAS-  
SADOR MIGHT BE SEVERAL MONTHS AWAY AND THAT CHARGE MIGHT  
FIND DEFREP ASSISTANCE HELPFUL AT TIME WHEN CONGRESSIONAL  
INTEREST IN IRAN PROGRAM IS LIKELY TO BE HIGH. ALSO, IT  
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SEEMED APPROPRIATE TO GIVE NEW ADMINISTRATION OPPORTUNITY  
TO REVIEW PROGRAM. FINALLY, WE HAD IN MIND YOUR CONCERNS  
WHICH NAAS DREW TO MY ATTENTION ON HIS RETURN FROM AUGUST  
VISIT.

3. I AM HOWEVER SENSITIVE TO NECESSITY OF AVOIDING GETTING

OURSELVES INTO POSITION WHERE DEFREP COULD BE CONSIDERED  
PERMANENT FEATURE OF TEHRAN STAFFING AND TO YOUR VIEW THAT

NOW IS TIME TO MAKE THE BREAK.

4. PENDING LARRY'S RETURN, AND WITH FOREGOING IN MIND, I  
WOULD LIKE YOUR JUDGMENT AS TO WHETHER ADMINISTRATION OF  
PROGRAM IS IN SUFFICIENTLY GOOD SHAPE TO WARRANT NEARLY  
SIMULTANEOUS DEPARTURE OF YOU AND DEFREP. BEST REGARDS.

ROBINSON

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